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Title: SPINDLE-SHAPED GOLD PARTICLES, SPINDLE-SHAPED HEMATITE PARTICLES, SPINDLE-SHAPED MAGNETIC METAL PARTICLES CONTAINING IRON AS MAIN COMPONENT AND PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING THE SAME



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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

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**AMENDMENT AND PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE**

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2004 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due June 9, 2004. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a two-month extension of time is \$420 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now August 9, 2004. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is being timely filed.